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APR 21 nonz Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir: Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted. A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed. No additional fee is required. The fee has been calculated as shown below: OTHER THAN A (COL. 1) (COL. 2) (COL. 3) SMALL ENTITY SMALL ENTITY Claims Remaining After Amendment Highest No Previously Paid For Additional Fee OR Additional Fee 26 23 3 9 54 Total Minus 18 3 0 Minus . . . 3 0 Indep. 42 \$ 84 First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims 0 140 280 54 OR Total Total If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write '0' in Col. 3. If the 'Highest Number Previously Paid For' IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write '20' in this space. If the 'Highest Number Previously Paid For' IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write '3' in this space. The 'Hignest Number Previously Paid For' (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior Amendment or the number of claims originally filed. Please charge my Deposit Account No. 50-1417 in the amount of \$ 54.00 A check in the amount of \$ is attached in payment of: excess dependent claims The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication Х or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1417. Х Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims. Х

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please amend the above application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 7, fifth full paragraph, lines 17-24, the marked up paragraph is as follows:

The rotary brush assembly includes a drive shaft 18, having a hub 20 attached thereto. A plurality of stacked cleaning elements 30 are attached to the hub to form a rotary brush which functions as a side brush to clean the sides of a vehicle. A motor 16, mounted at the outer end of the swing arm 14, is connected to the rotary brush assembly through a gear box 17 to rotate the brush. A plurality of spray nozzles 23 are attached to the supporting frame 12 to spray liquid on a vehicle being washed.

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